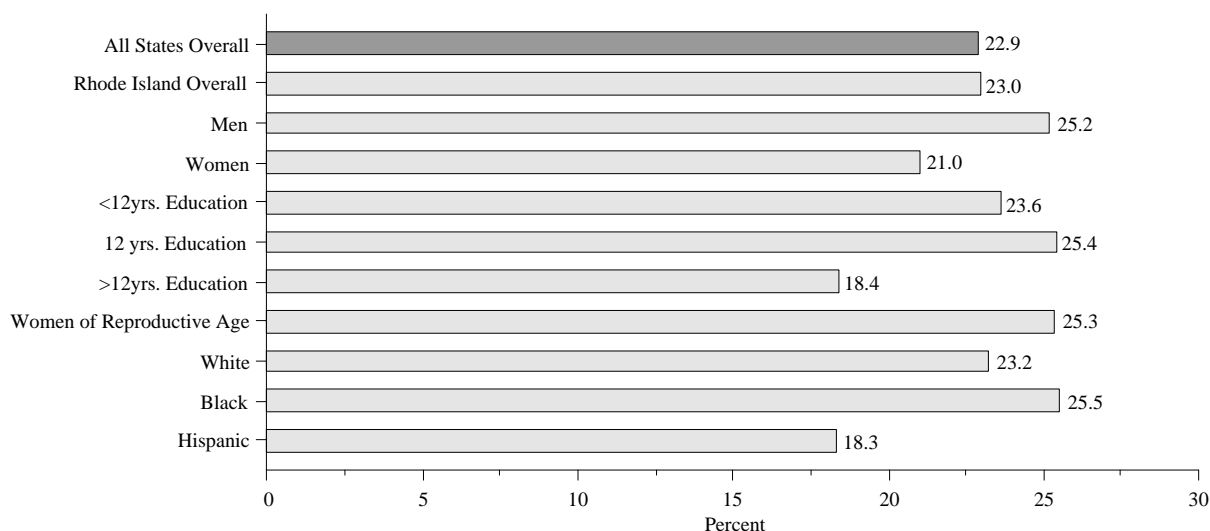


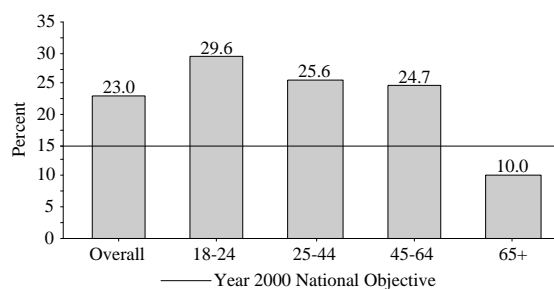
Currently, there are 172,800 adult smokers in Rhode Island.

Tobacco Use in Rhode Island

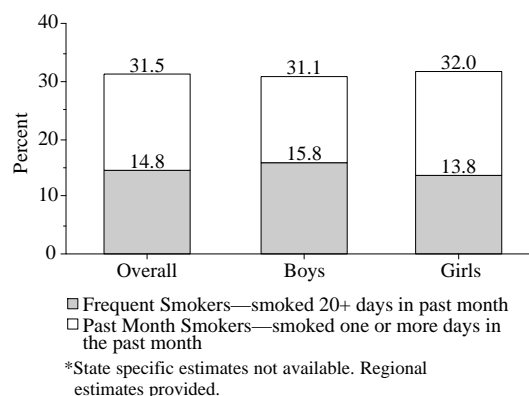
Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults Aged 18 and Older, 1992-1993



Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults by Age, 1992-1993



Past Month Cigarette Smoking Among Youth, Grades 9-12, 1993*



Health Impact and Costs, 1990

DEATHS RELATED TO SMOKING	YEARS OF POTENTIAL LIFE LOST*	DIRECT MEDICAL COSTS RELATED TO SMOKING
Overall 1,881 Men 1,250 Women 631 Death Rate 350.3/100,000 Rank 21 (No. 1 is lowest death rate)	21,541 years or an average of 11.5 years for each death due to smoking. *Calculated to life expectancy	Total \$186,000,000

Smokeless Tobacco Use

CURRENT USE AMONG ADULTS AGED 18 AND OLDER, 1992-1993	PAST MONTH USE AMONG YOUTH, GRADES 9-12, 1993*
All States 2.1% Rhode Island 0.2% Men 0.4% Women 0.1%	All States 11.5% Northeastern Region 8.5% Boys 15.5% Girls 1.2%

*State specific estimates not available. Regional estimates provided.



However, another 232,100 adults in Rhode Island have quit smoking.

Tobacco Control Legislation, 1995

Excise Tax

Cigarette tax per pack 61¢
Rank = 4 (No. 1 is highest tax)

Federal and state taxes as a
percentage of retail price 38.2%*

Annual net tax revenue
from cigarettes \$40,377,000*

Smokeless tobacco tax:
20% of wholesale sales price.

*Based on previous tax rate of 56¢/pack.

Minors' Access to Tobacco Products

Minimum age for sale: 18

Illegal for minors to purchase, possess, or use: Yes

Restrictions on Vending Machines

Vending machines in all locations except bars must be supervised and equipped with a locking device at all times. Vending machines located in bars must be supervised at all times.

Signage

Signs required on premises.

Licensure

Retail license and vending machine license required.

Penalties

Penalties to business owner, manager, or clerk.

Revocation/suspension of license for violation.


State Preempts Local Laws

No preemption

Advertising

No restrictions

Smokefree Indoor Air

Site	Restrictions				Penalties	
	100% Smokefree	Designated smoking areas with separate ventilation	Designated smoking areas required or allowed	None	To businesses	To smokers
State govt. worksites			✓		✓	
Private worksites			✓		✓	
Restaurants			✓		✓	✓
Day care centers				✓		
Grocery stores			✓		✓	✓

Tobacco Economy

Tobacco Agriculture, 1994

None

Tobacco Manufacturing, 1992

None

Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Program

Funding: NCI ASSIST

Regional Network: Tobacco-Free New England

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